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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

VIDEO SIGNAL RECORDING AND REPRODUCTION DEVICE AND VIDEO SIGNAL REPRODUCTION DEVICE

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:



was filed on June 26, 1998 as

United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number PCT/JP98/02882
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Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Not Claimed

9-171399

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27 June 1997

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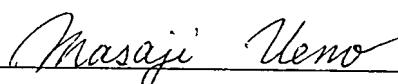
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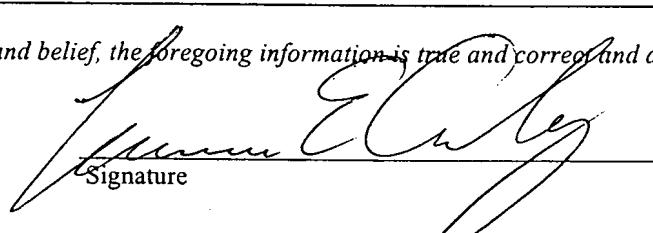
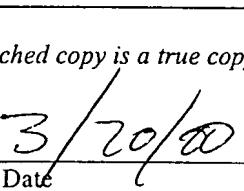
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